

**MINUTES**  
**HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY**  
**MEETING OF FEB. 16, 2022**

Committee members in attendance:

Laurel Auerbacher

George Cadman III

Edward Feller

Lauren Sondon

Mash Zahid

Additional Attendees: Fannie Carmona

1. The meeting of the Heritage Committee of the Village of Palmetto Bay started at 7:05 PM. It was virtual because of COVID precautions.
2. The minutes of the Meeting of January 19, 2022, were approved as corrected.
3. There was no public comment, and no other Village Residents were online for the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. PICNIC:**

- A. The Picnic will be March 5<sup>th</sup>, 11AM to 2 PM. The members of the committee will be there from 9:30 to 10:00 to help set up and will help at the booth throughout the picnic.
- B. A discussion re: any tee shirts was made, Ms. Carmona will have Village tee shirts for the members.
- C. A discussion of the publications to be given out ensued. These include "Historical Resources, a Historical Sites Tour", "Palmetto Bay Through the Years", and the "Anniversary Issue" of the Community Newspapers Palmetto Bay Edition.
- D. A bag will be gotten by the Village to distribute to those coming to the Village Booth, with lettering for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It was agreed that the bag be Palmetto Bay Blue.
- E. The Village Booth will be decorated as a "20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration" and will have historical exhibits of the history of this region as well as of the Village exhibited. A suggestion was made that pictures of some of these be put on a computer and exhibited on a large screen. This will be investigated.

- F. Home Depot had been involved in prior picnics. They had distributed craft kits and had craft demonstrations, but these have been stopped because of Covid precautions. The possibility of small plants being disturbed was discussed but may be more appropriate for “Earth Day” with the Village sticker on the pot. This will be further pursued before the picnic to see if anything is feasible.
- G. Idea of interactive games at the booth was discussed, using the historical brochures and sites. This will be investigated, if so in a shaded area near the booth.
- H. A discussion of a “Village Monopoly Board” was discussed. It was not thought appropriate as which properties would be “Boardwalk” and which would be “Baltic”. It is a game of property values and we need to be sensitive about this.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. A discussion held regarding whether another event celebrating our anniversary should be held other than the picnic and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party. Our Village Anniversary is Sept 10<sup>th</sup> but with hurricane season it was not felt to be reasonable to use this date. It was discussed and recommended that an anniversary party be done in conjunction with the mayor’s “State of the Village” event and speech in October or November. Locations were discussed.
2. It was suggested as there would be no event on the exact date, emails to the Village email list, and notices in social media and the Village web page start about 2 weeks before the date, one each day having both current and historical information. This will be discussed further at the next meeting – committee members will be responsible for suggesting the contents of these messages.
3. A discussion of a possible scavenger hunt at each of the historical sites with prizes for the winners, perhaps on July 4 during the day was considered. This will be again discussed at later meetings.
4. The? of a time capsule in the stone building on Perrine Ave was discussed. This will be looked into and hopefully by the next meeting its presence or not will have been found. If it is found it was suggested that it be opened at the State of the Village/Anniversary event in the fall.
5. On the actual day or as week before and after, Sept 10<sup>th</sup> consider decorating the steeple of Village Hall with “birthday” paraphernalia.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.